

**Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA**

**§ 51.2544**

(d) The nuts are of a size not less than  $\frac{3}{64}$  inch in diameter as measured by a round hole screen.

(e) For tolerances, see § 51.2544.

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**§ 51.2543 U.S. Non-Split.**

“U.S. Non-Split” consists of non-split pistachio nuts in the shell which meet the following requirements:

(a) Basic requirements:

(1) Free from:

(i) Foreign material;

(ii) Loose kernels;

(iii) Shell pieces;

(iv) Particles and dust; and,

(v) Blanks.

(b) Shells:

(1) Free from damage by:

(i) Adhering hull material; and,

(ii) Dark stain.

(c) Kernels:

(1) Well dried, or very well dried when specified in connection with the grade.

(2) Free from damage by:

(i) Immature kernels;

(ii) Kernel spotting; and,

(iii) Other internal (kernel) defects.

(3) Free from serious damage by:

(i) Minor insect or vertebrate injury;

(ii) Insect damage;

(iii) Mold;

(iv) Rancidity;

(v) Decay; and,

(vi) Other Internal (kernel) defects.

(d) The nuts are of a size not less than  $\frac{3}{64}$  inch in diameter as measured by a round hole screen.

(e) For Tolerances, see § 51.2544.

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**§ 51.2544 Tolerances.**

(a) In order to allow for variations incident to proper grading and handling, the tolerances in Tables I, II, and III of this section are provided.

**TABLE I—TOLERANCES**

[Percent]

Factor	U.S. fancy	U.S. extra No. 1	U.S. No. 1	U.S. select	U.S. artificially opened	U.S. non-split
External (shell) Defects (tolerances by weight):						
(a) Non-split and not split on suture .....	2	3	6	10	10	N/A
(1) Non-split included in (a) .....	1	2	3	4	4	N/A
(b) Adhering hull material .....	1	1	1	2	2	2
(c) Light stained .....	7	12	25	N/A	N/A	N/A
(1) Dark stained, included in (c) ...	2	3	3	3	3	3
(d) Damage by other means .....	1	1	2	3	10	N/A
(e) Total External Defects .....	9	16	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
(f) Undersized (Less than $\frac{3}{64}$ inch in diameter) .....	5	5	5	5	4	5

**TABLE II—TOLERANCES**

Factor internal (kernel) defects (tolerances by weight)	U.S. fancy (percent)	U.S. extra No. 1 (percent)	U.S. No. 1 (percent)	U.S. select (percent)	U.S. artificially opened (percent)	U.S. non- split (percent)
(a) Damage .....	3	6	6	6	6	6
(b) Serious Damage (Minor Insect or Vertebrate Injury, Mold, Rancid, Decay) .....	3	4	4	4	4	4
(1) Insect Damage, included in (b) .....	1	2	2	2	2	2
(c) Total Internal Defects .....	4	8	9	9	9	9

**TABLE III—TOLERANCES**

[Percent]

Factor	U.S. fancy	U.S. extra No. 1	U.S. No. 1	U.S. select	U.S. artificially opened	U.S. non-split
Other Defects (tolerances by weight):						
(a) Shell pieces and blanks	2	2	2	2	2	2